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MRS. THORNTON SHOWN BUYING SCHOOL LAND HER SISTER OWNS

Woman Trustee Found in Land Deal, Records of Which Are Refused Aldermen-Her Husband Taxpayer on Proposed Avondale School Playground Site.

Mrs. Eva H. Thornton, school board member who has voted at all times to shut off city aldermen from getting at the original official records of the school board, was named today by aldermen of the council schools committee as taking a hand in a peculiar land deal.

On the official records handed out by the school board to the general public the deal doesn't show. It was only by going to the offices of County Treasurer Stuckhart and County Re- the Jake Loeb majority by which in-

corder Connery that the council schools committee was able to get the facts which show Mrs. Thornton sitting on the school board and voting to buy real estate owned by her sister while the taxes were paid by her husband.

The action is the first blow to be struck by aldermen with a view of showing that almost any kind of a crooked land deal or crooked contract can be pushed through the school board and kept secret from the people through present policy of